Post-Secondary Education/Training Programs

Update

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Education and Training Update

- Needs Assessment of MHSA workforce completed via analysis of submitted CSS Plans
- Nine Special Topic Workgroup meetings conducted with recommended Actions endorsed by Statewide Advisory Group
- Statewide constituency contracts renewed with expanded MHSA functions
- Need guidance from DMH/CMHDA leadership on governance and funding strategies

Actions Endorsed for Implementation

- Renew expanded DMH contracts with CIMH, constituency organizations, DMH/DOR cooperative programs consultant cadre to provide training, technical assistance
- Plan statewide contracts for expanded role in FY 07/08
- Analyze CSS workforce needs
- Conduct comprehensive needs assessment
- Develop list of training and technical assistance tracks appropriate for MHSA
- Develop principles for approving, conducting and evaluating MHSA sponsored training and technical assistance

Actions Endorsed for Implementation(2)

- Expand role of DMH Expert Pool
- Fund public mental health entry level preparation programs for consumers, family members – early adopters as replicable models
- Establish five regional partnership staff support structures and statewide leadership
- Renew CalSWEC contract and establish stipend program structure with CalSWEC assistance
- Establish loan forgiveness and scholarship program structure with OSHPD assistance

Actions Endorsed for Implementation(3)

- Fund vendors to convert CMHPC approved trainings to blended learning format
- Fund planning for mental health career pathways initiatives and fund early adopters as replicable models
- Plan for expansion of post-graduate residency and internship linkage to public mental health and psychosocial rehabilitation programs, and fund early adopters as replicable models
- Review strategies to influence statutes, regulations, and policies to assist in the expansion of persons capable of prescribing and managing psychotropic medications and signing treatment plans

Stakeholder Funding Recommendations

- Statewide programs, such as stipends, scholarships and loan forgiveness programs have a sustainable, stable funding source
- Fund replicable model programs (early adopters) as soon as possible, and have a sustainable, stable funding source – includes regional partnership staffing structure
- Provide education and training funds to counties as soon as possible

Sample Funding Availability (estimated round figures)

• FY 05/06 \$115m

• FY 06/07 add \$90m 205m

• FY 07/08 add 93m 298m

• FY 08/09 add 106m 404m

• FY 09/10 add ?

Post-Secondary Education Teleconferences

Summary

Fund Post-Secondary Education Programs

- Post-grad residency/internship programs
 - UC Davis/Sacramento CMH, UCSF/Fresno CMH, UCLA/Kern CMH, Welcome Back to assist with RFQ specs for replicable model programs
 - Financial incentives for educational entities and pmh employers to interchange staff
- Paraprofessional Certification Programs
 - CASRA/CPRP, Jump Start, Welcome Back, community college consultants to assist with RFQ specs for replicable model programs
- All replicable model programs to include evaluation/research element

Continuing Education

- For the employee payment for CEU/CMEs that meet employer's workforce needs and is consistent with the intent of the Act – retention tool
- For the employer Funding to employers to backfill staff time to enable staff to teach, attend training and coursework, and provide clinical supervision to interns; e.g., 20/20 programs or "release time"

Engage Faculty

- Regional partnership structure needed to facilitate faculty/employer relationships
- Contracts, MOUs, IAs can provide funding continuity for both sides to re-direct and intermingle staff for such activities as faculty release time to provide service delivery and internship supervision at pmh sites, pmh staff and c/fm to assist with teaching on campus, licensed pmh staff to have dedicated time for internship supervision, dedicated time for both sides to engage in research for EBP and pursue grant funding

Educator/Employer Partnerships

- Joint grant and research activities could bring in federal and foundation dollars to build a body of evidence for practices promoted by the Act
- Joint activities to be determined, funded and administered at the regional and local level
- Regional partnership structure ideal forum to facilitate this relationship

Supportive Education

- Quality educational supports essential for consumers to succeed in academic environment
- MHSA funding needed but cannot supplant existing mandated educational and mental health services
- Templates from current successful programs can be made available
- Regional partnership forum can facilitate building of local programs